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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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PRINCE'S KANDY VISIT.
REMARKABLE RAILWAY JOURNEY.
TEMPLE OF THE TOOTH.
KANDY, March 23.
The Prince of Wales had a wonderful journey here from Colombo this morning. The entire population of the district for fifteen miles on each side of the railway gathered at the stations to see his special pass. It was like the popular demonstrations which greeted him in Australia and Canada. There were solid masses of Ceylonese in deep rows on every station platform and on banks, rocks and trees. Between them they went to extraordinary pains to decorate his 70-mile route from the coast and even single mud huts displayed their Union Jack. Every tiny village under the palms showed its loyalty by bamboo arches or garlands strung between trees.
For three and a half hours the Prince passed what appeared to be an almost continuous crowd beginning at Colombo and continuing along the rice fields of the plain, then clinging in thin lines to the steep sides of the hills where the special began to climb into cooler air, and swelling again in numbers as the train approached this pleasant little city. The absolute spontaneity of the reception was unmistakable. The people cheered like Europeans or saluted the Prince with precise volleys of hand clapping. Some stations contributed groups of indigenous drummers banging tom-toms.
The Prince was received at the station here by the Kandy chief in picturesque full dress of balloons like skirts of heavy silk and jewelled hats. A brief address was followed by a brief response, after which the Prince motored to the planters' hall where he was greeted by the majority of the 1,300 planters of the island. He inspected their smart infantry battalion. The town itself was filled to the utmost with visitors from all parts of the island. The Prince shook hands with many of them at a garden party this afternoon.
To night he will attend a dinner of the local chiefs and afterwards will walk to the famous temple of the tooth, later adjourning to the durbar hall where there will be displayed as a special honour for him this sacred relic reputed to be a tooth of Buddha.

FOUR POWER TREATY.
SENATE STILL VOLUBLE.
SPEECH LIMIT IMPOSED.
WASHINGTON, March 23.
In the threatened interminable debate on the four power treaty the Senate has decided to limit individual speeches to one hour. Before the limit was imposed a flood of speeches was unleashed by senators who had prepared long addresses and "justified" another to obtain a hearing.
Senator La Follette bitterly assailed the treaty, declaring that it was simply an extension of the Anglo-Japanese alliance and moreover bound the United States to support all British and Japanese claims in the Pacific.
Senator Pomerene, the Democratic member of the foreign relations committee, supporting the treaty, admitted that it constituted an alliance, but declared it was not an aggressive one. He objected to weakening the pact by reservations and asked how any Democrat who supported the Versailles treaty could justify himself in opposing the present treaty.

FRENCH BANK'S AFFAIRS.
BERTHELOT BROTHERS' FINANCES.
PARIS, March 23.
The *Main* states the M. Philippe Berthelot former Secretary General voluntarily informed the recent court of discipline which was presided over by M. Poincare that in 1919 his brother Andre, chairman of the Banque Industrielle de Chine, gave him 3,500,000 francs in bank notes, of which he spent 2,500,000 in buying rentes and the remainder in buying a house. When in 1921 the bank was in difficulties he hastened to put the 2,500,000 at his brother's disposal. The examining magistrate enquiring into the bank's affairs subsequently questioned him at length regarding this.

GRAFT CHARGES.
GOVERNOR ARRESTED.
OMAHA, March 23.
The Governor has voluntarily submitted to arrest. Afterwards he was released on \$5,000 bail.
[As reported in our earlier cables, a warrant has been issued for the arrest of the Governor of Oklahoma, Mr. Robertson, and a State Bank Commissioner, Mr. Dennis, on charges of accepting bribes to permit a bank to do business after it was found insolvent. It is alleged that they accepted \$25,000. The Governor is also charged with depositing \$150,000 worth of State funds after the insolvency was discovered.]

AUSTRALIAN STRIKE MOVES.
TRADE UNIONS SCEPTICAL.
MELBOURNE, March 23.
Trade union leaders here the strike action was reported yesterday, warning that it was premature and would be followed by the government.

IRISH DISORDERS.
GOVERNMENT'S MEASURES.
DRASTIC POWERS.
LONDON, March 23.
In consequence of the opinion expressed in the Ulster House of Commons that penalties in the bill for suppressing lawlessness were not sufficiently drastic, the Government submitted a new clause in the committee stage of the bill, which the house approved, applying the death penalty to offences connected with bombs.
The Government announced that if the present bill was not sufficient it would propose to extend the death penalty to many other offences like the carrying of arms without a permit.

OCCUPATION EXPENSES.
AMERICA'S DEMAND.
WASHINGTON, March 23.
Mr. Hughes Secretary of State, in a note to the United States regarding the demand for payment of the cost of occupation, declares that French and Belgian occupation costs had been fully paid. The unpaid balance in May of last year amounted to 1,600,000,000 gold marks of which America was entitled to 966,000,000 and Britain to 634,000,000. Britain had since received 131,000,000 of this "subject to the rights of the United States."
The note argues that since the sharing of the United States in priority payments was not made conditional on satisfaction of the treaty failure to ratify should not be construed as affecting American rights. Moreover, Germany explicitly consented to priority of payment of the costs of American occupation notwithstanding the fact that America had not ratified the treaty.

BOXER INDEMNITY.
BRITAIN'S SHARE.
In the House of Commons, replying to Lieut. Col. C. J. C. Malone regarding the Boxer indemnity payments to Britain, Sir John Gilmour, Junior Lord of the Treasury, said that approximately \$43,000 had been paid up to 1920. Moreover \$1,250,000 had been paid in respect of private British claims. Altogether \$11,000,000 remains to be paid.

HO-GRO-C HUI TSAI DECREE.
HUMANITY AND FREEDOM.
LONDON, March 23.
The abolition of the mutai system in Hongkong is a belated but decided reaffirmation of the principles of humanity and freedom in British government, declares the *Manchester Guardian*.

MARKS SIX A PENNY.
REPARATIONS CRISIS SLUMP.
LONDON, March 23.
German marks were six a penny in London to-day. The slump is largely due to the new reparations crisis following the receipt of the commission's note in Berlin.

INDIA'S FISCAL AUTONOMY.
ASSEMBLY'S UNITED STAND.
DELHI, March 23.
The finance bill passed the Assembly.
Rejection of various proposed new taxes leaves an estimated uncovered deficit of \$5,000,000.
A feature of the debate was the unanimity of members in favour of India's fiscal autonomy.

WE'VE RUSSIAN TROOPS.
SLIGHT INCREASE HARMLESS.
LONDON, March 23.
In the House of Commons at question time, Mr. Asquith, Chancellor, said he believed the troops in West Russia had slightly increased since January, but it was not necessary to take any special measures. He did not believe that the Soviet Government intended to embark on a new war.

RUSSIAN CREDIT DELICIOUS.
CHURCHILL REPLACES LAMAR.
LONDON, March 23.
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REPARATIONS DECISIONS.

London, March 23rd.
The Reparations Commission's decision included: Of the 1,000,000 gold marks in kind France will receive 500,000,000 and the balance of 500,000,000 will be paid in cash. The Commission has also decided that Germany shall immediately draw up a scheme for increasing taxation in the 1922-23 budget by at least sixty millions of marks and for reducing expenditure.

London, March 23rd.
The Reparations Commission arrived like a bombshell. The Finance Committee was last night informed and the Cabinet was notified. The Finance Committee was in a state of confusion. The Commission's decision has done the opposite. The Finance Committee declares that the decision is binding over with unprejudiced qualities. The Finance Committee predicts unalloyed excitement, especially among the bankers. The Finance Committee describes the decision as especially welcome and of great importance.

FRANCE'S CHANGED ATTITUDE.

London, March 23rd.
A change in French international position is indicated by an announcement stating that in deference to the Allied unanimous opinion, France will consent to be bound by the arrangements in which she participated at London and London, but henceforward the action of French delegates will be subject to the preliminary approval of the Council. The attitude was defined when Mr. Lloyd George asked M. Poincaré to go to Geneva with a view to entering into a treaty with France.

AMERICAN BANK SENSATION.

Oklahoma, Oklahoma, March 23rd.
A warrant has been issued for the arrest of the Governor of Oklahoma, Mr. Robertson, and the State Bank Commissioner, Mr. Dennis, on a charge of accepting bribes to permit a bank to do business after it was found insolvent. It is alleged that they accepted twenty-five thousand dollars. The Governor is also charged with depositing one hundred and fifty thousand dollars worth of State funds after the insolvent was discovered.

NAVAL REDUCTIONS.

London, March 23rd.
In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Frederick Hall, Lt.-Col. Amery said while the naval reductions were naturally dependent on general ratification at Washington of the Naval Treaty they were not necessarily dependent on ratification of the Pacific Agreement.

RUSSIAN PROTEST.

Reval, March 23rd.
The Government of the Far Eastern Republic has sent notes to Japan, Britain and America protesting against alleged support of the White Guards and the export of Republican property from Vladivostok.

PROPOSED ARMISTICE IN ASIA MINOR.

Paris, March 23rd.
The Allied Foreign Ministers received jointly a telegram from Athens, Constantinople and Ankara proposing a three months armistice in Asia Minor and the establishment of a neutral zone, ten kilometres wide, under the control of Allied commissions.

ROUBLE RATE.

Reval, March 23rd.
The ruling rate for foreign remittances to Russia through the Russian Imperial Bank is 580,000 Soviet roubles to a dollar.

IRELAND'S WARRING IN FACTS.

London, March 23rd.
Referring to the Provisional Government's ban, Commander O'Connor, director of engineering in the I.R.A., declares that resolutions will be submitted to the convention on March 26th reaffirming the allegiance of the army to the Republic and appointing an executive which will have supreme control of the army. He declared that the convention will represent at least eight per cent. of the army and he also declared that the army was prepared to take the offensive against the Provisional Government even if at the elections the majority of the people supported the latter.

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RESULT OF THE LATEST
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Polling for the election of the new
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of ten candidates, the undermentioned
were elected.

Votes.	
Mr. S. Sakuragi	628
Mr. H. G. Simms	594
Mr. H. H. Girardet	589
Mr. A. B. Lawson	582
Mr. W. P. Lambie	530
Mr. V. G. Lyman	499
Mr. H. W. Lester	479
Mr. G. N. Wilson	325
Mr. S. Felsenden	273

Mr. A. J. Hughes, for whom 264
votes were cast, was again unsuccessful.
It will be noticed that the
highest number of votes are recorded
against the name of Mr. Sakuragi the
Japanese candidate. During the first
day's voting a large number of
Japanese cast their votes and the
following day there was a fair number
present, while the number of British
and American voters had increased
considerably. It is estimated that
about two-thirds of those entitled
to vote—about 1,600—under the
Land Regulations took an active part
in the election. The total number of
voting papers placed in the ballot
box was 752. With the exception of
Messrs. Lester and Wilson, the newly
elected councillors served during the
last Municipal year.

The next Chairman of the Council
will be elected by the new councillors
at their first meeting, to be held
shortly after the annual meeting of
ratepayers.

The "Renown," on which the
Prince of Wales will arrive at Hong-
Kong on April 6, leaves here for
Yokohama direct two days later. The
third flotilla of the First Squadron,
consisting of the "Or" (flagship),
"Kiso," "Kuma," and "Tama,"
which is under the command of Vice-
Admiral Motokata, will proceed as far
as Hongkong to meet the Prince of
Wales and will escort the British war-
ship to Yokohama. At the entrance
to Tokyo Bay the whole strength of
the First Squadron, under the com-
mand of Admiral Tachibana, will wel-
come the Prince. The naval ap-
proach to Opana near Yokohama will
and several vessels in a fight over
the British warship. It is expected
that Tokyo Bay will present a
highly spectacular scene on the arrival
of the Prince of Wales.

PRINTING SOUNDS.

SCIENTIST'S FORECAST OF A
WONDER MACHINE.

The development of an apparatus
which will be actuated by speech
sounds and will automatically set up
the words in type was predicted by
J. H. T. Roberts, formerly of the
Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge, at
a lecture to the Liverpool University
Physical Society on "Recent De-
velopments in Reproduction of Sound."
"Such an apparatus would depend
upon every sound, both vowel and
consonant, having a characteristic
wave form," Dr. Roberts told a
reporter.

The apparatus would have to be
arranged so as to operate selectively
a special type-setting machine, which
would be something of a cross
between a dictating machine and a
linotype machine.

"The apparatus would in a sense
have a brain and would be able to
transform the spoken sound into the
written word. The manipulative
difficulties are very great, but I am
confident that we shall eventually
overcome them."

Following upon the Hongkong
strike it is only natural that there
should be talk of labour unrest in
Shanghai, but inquiry tends to the
view that this is much exaggerated,
says the N.C.D. News. Of course the
fact that the seamen in Hongkong
have received a substantial rise in
pay is bound to have an effect on
opinion here, but beyond that we are
fairly safe in saying that the matter
does not go. In the first place the
Ningpo men here are in no sense in
liaison with the Cantonese, and
in fact they never regarded the
Hongkong matter as being their
quarrel. Notwithstanding that
many attempts were made to bribe
them into it. There is a further
important matter in connection with
the possibility of labour unrest here.
While the seamen's strike was on, we
heard reports of meetings held in
sympathy with the seamen at one of
which a sum of \$100 was said to have
been collected to add to the strike
funds. The actual total was \$23.
Another meeting, of which a growing
account was circulated, never took
place at all. It is inconceivable that
the seamen of Shanghai, who are all
at once so ready to sympathize with
labour causes, and who means having
fallen it has occurred to them to do
as the source of the present talk of
discontent, but it is hardly likely that
they will supply any.

FORWARD IS BACKWARD.

G. K. CHESTERTON PLAYS
WITH PARADOX.

G. K. Chesterton performed a
curious experiment in phrase juggling
last month when he took reconstruction,
revolution and reaction upon the
end of his tongue, and so twisted them
together that it was presently impos-
sible to distinguish one from the other.
He was addressing the annual meet-
ing of the League of Arts upon its
own aims and objects, and he had an
admirable audience in a Mayfair
drawing room. His first step was to
equate reconstruction with the
restoration of past things, and, after
suitable historical allusions, he did it
in the phrases following.

"The whole of life," he said,
"consists in recovering past things.
There has never been any living
movement that did not attempt to
recover the past. Ordinary daily life
is made up on that principle. It is
all an incessant process that you are
wearing your coat with the tails in
front. You don't say, 'This is
destiny,' you make an attempt at
reconstruction or the recovery of the
past."

The next step was to show that re-
volution was nothing but a recovery
of the past, and that it was, therefore,
equal to reconstruction.
"All revolutions for the restoration
of society have always found models
in the past," he said, "because they
were found carrying to mankind the
joyful news that men need not always
be in the mess that they were in at
present. There was never any kind of
movement that had any kick in it
that was not an antiquarian move-
ment, in the sense that it was an at-
tempt to dig out something that was
buried."

That phrase, in which all move-
ments, whether revolutionary, reform-
ist, moderate or retrograde, were
lumped together, having suitably pre-
pared the way, G. K. then brought
forward, to the accompaniment of
minor exclamations of astonishment,
the daring conclusion to which he was
leading.

"There was never a revolution that
was not reactionary," he declared.
"The only difference is that moderate
reformers and moderate reactionaries
are moderate, while the revolutionary
and the retrograde are not. They are
both extremists. They are both trying
to dig out something that was buried."

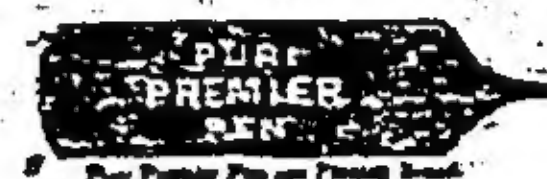
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Sundry Blackwood Furniture, Chairs,
Cabinets, Pictures,
Also
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Hongkong, March 22, 1922.

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THURSDAY,
March 30, 1922, at 10.30 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 5,
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Ten Horse Street.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Carpets and Sundries,
removed to Auction Room for
Convenience of Sale.
about 300 Valuable Books,
(including some on China and Japan).
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Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 23, 1922.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
PARTICULARS and Conditions of the
letting by Public Auction Sale, to be
held on MONDAY, the 27th day of
February, 1922, at 3 p.m., at the Office
of the Public Works Department, by
Order of His Excellency the Governor
of two Lots of CROWN LAND
at Mong Kok Tsui in the Colony of
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cupation from 1st of May. For par-
ticulars apply to "Bank of China."

INTIMATIONS.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
RACE MEETING in honour of
H.R.H. The Prince of Wales to be
held at the Race Course Happy
Valley on April 7th.
1st Race starts at 2.30 p.m.
Admission to Jockey Club Enclosure
\$5.
Tickets can be obtained at Kelly &
Wells or at the Gate.
Ladies free. Programme \$1 each.
Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform \$1
each.
The proceeds will be donated to the
proposed New Nursing Home.
H. BIRKETT,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, March 20, 1922.

**NOTICE TO OFFICERS AND
ENGINEERS OF THE BRITISH
MERCANTILE MARINE.**

IN accordance with the expressed
wish of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales
to meet all ex-service men, among
whom he mentioned officers of the
Mercantile Marine, His Excellency the
Governor most kindly extends to all
certificated members of that Service
in ships under or passing through the
Port an invitation to be present in
the grounds of Government House at
2.30 p.m. on the afternoon of April
6th, when His Royal Highness looks
forward to meeting them. In an-
nouncements of the above already
issued, the final date of application
for tickets of admission is stated to be
March 25th. It has however been
realised that if this date is strictly
observed, the majority of officers
likely to be in port on April 6th will
be prevented from attending. Ar-
rangements have therefore been made
that officers should apply as soon as
possible for cards of admission to the
Rev. G.T. Waldegrave, Seamen's
Institute, Praya East; (stating rank,
ship, name of firm, and any war-
service and decorations), the final
date of application being kept as late
as possible in order to obviate in some
measure the difficulty above stated.
Hongkong, March 20, 1922.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.
THE Thirty-sixth Yearly General
Meeting of the Members of the
Hongkong Club, will be held in the
Club House on MONDAY, the 27th
March, 1922, at 5.30 p.m.
By Order,
A. H. ABBAS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 18, 1922.

PEAK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.
A MEETING to which all Peak
Residents are invited will be held
on TUESDAY NEXT THE 28th
INSTANT in the Peak Club at 6 p.m.
To consider:—
A. Proposal to form a Peak
Residents' Association and if confirmed
B. All matters relative thereto.
JOHN BENTLEY,
Hon. Secretary of Provisional
Committee.
Hongkong, March 22, 1922.

MADAME LOTTIE GORDON.
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INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE Race Meeting in honour of
H.R.H. The Prince of Wales to be
held on April 7th at the Race Course
Happy Valley.
Members are hereby notified that this
Meeting will rank as a Gymkhana Meet-
ing as far as all penalties and allowances
are concerned for Races held by the
Hongkong Jockey Club.
H. BIRKETT,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, March 20, 1922.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Race Meeting in honour of
H.R.H. The Prince of Wales.
Members are reminded that entries
close on Saturday March 25th and
that they should be handed in at the
Jockey Club rooms Chater Road or
delivered to the Hall Porter at the
Hongkong Club not later than 6 p.m.
H. BIRKETT,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, March 23, 1922.

**THE LIVERPOOL AND LONDON
AND GLOBE INSURANCE
CO. LTD.**

NOTICES.
I have this day handed over the
Management of this Company's
Branches in Hongkong and Canton to
Mr. John de B. Lancaster, Local
Manager.
W. E. HALE,
Acting Local Manager
Hongkong, March 23, 1922.

The Directors of the Company have
appointed Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Ltd.
as Agents of the Company for Hong-
kong and Canton and the business of
the Company in those areas will be
under their charge as from April 1
1922. On and after that date all
communications relating thereto
should therefore be addressed to
Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Ltd. as Agents
of the Company.
Mr. T. F. Sherman Jr. has been ap-
pointed Resident Inspector of the
Company and will have a seat in
Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Ltd.'s Office
and will be in charge of the Company's
interests. and Mr. Tee Yan Pak will
also continue to act as Comptroller
for the Company under Messrs.
Dodwell & Co. Ltd.
The present Branch Offices of the
Company in Hongkong and Canton
will be closed as from the same date.
JOHN DE B. LANCASTER,
Local Manager.
Hongkong, March 23, 1922.

We have accepted the Agency of
the Liverpool and London and Globe
Insurance Co. Ltd. for Hongkong and
Canton and will take charge of the
Company's interests in these areas as
from April 1, 1922.
Per pro DODWELL & CO. LTD.
G. M. DODWELL,
Director.
Hongkong, March 21, 1922.

**CHINA SUGAR REFINING
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE.
THE Forty-fourth Ordinary Annual
Meeting of the Shareholders of the
above Company will be held at the
Offices of the General Agents, Pedder
Street, on WEDNESDAY the 29th
March at 11 a.m. for the purpose of
receiving the Report and Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st
December 1921.
The Transfer Books of the Company
will be closed from the 15th to 29th
March, both days inclusive.
JARDINE MATHESON & CO. LTD.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, March 10, 1922.

**HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING of Share-
holders will be held at the Offices of the
undersigned on FRIDAY, the 31st
March, 1922, at Noon, for the purpose
of receiving the Report of the General
Manager, together with a statement of
Accounts for the year ended the 31st
December, 1921.
The Share Register and Transfer
Books will be CLOSED from the 15th
to the 31st March 1922, both days
inclusive.
JARDINE MATHESON & CO. LTD.,
General Managers.
Hongkong The Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, March 18, 1922.

A LIFE SAVER.
IT is said to say that Chas. Berlin's
Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy has
saved the lives of many people and
relieved more suffering than any other
remedy. It is a powerful and reliable
remedy for all cases of Colic, Diarrhoea,
and all intestinal troubles. It is a
true and reliable remedy for all cases
of Colic and Diarrhoea.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

**COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED
IN THE "MAIL."**

ENTERTAINMENTS.

March 24.—Coronet Theatre,
Marshall Neilan's "Go and Get It."
Hongkong Theatre, Roy Stewart and
Joseph Guard in "The Double
Standard." World Theatre, Billie
Rhodes in "The Blue Bonnet." Kow-
loon Theatre, Mary Pickford in "The
Hoodlum." Theatre Royal, The
Quaints in "A Pedlar of Dreams."
March 26.—Coronet Theatre, Mary
Miles Minter in "Jenny, be Good."
Theatre Royal, The Quaints.
March 27.—Mr. Harry Ore's piano
recital, City Hall, 5.30 p.m.

SPOKING EVENTS.

March 30.—Hongkong Boxing
Association, novices tournament.
Teat's Royal.
March 31.—Hongkong Boxing
Association, novices' tournament.
Teat's Royal.
April 1.—Hongkong Boxing Association,
novices' tournament finals,
featherweight and middle-weight
championships. Theatre Royal.

PUBLIC AUCTION SALES.

March 25.—Hughes and Hough,
household furniture. No. 102, the
Peak, 10.30 a.m.
March 27.—Public Works Depart-
ment, two lots of Crown land at
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The China Mail.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24 1932

RENTS ORDINANCE.

The Kowloon Residents' Association is not nowadays jeered at, as it was in the beginning. It has outlived its reputation of being a mere "club" and is now a successful and useful institution which sets a fine example of good citizenship. Its meeting on Wednesday night offered numerous fresh illustrations of the level-headedness of its leading constituents. We do not propose to comment on all the points raised, as that would require as much or more space than the report. We admired the discretion of the brief discussion of the servant question. At one time there was reason to fear that strong feelings would result in an unwise decision. With regard to Kowloon's name, the China Mail is in a position to state (what the Association does not appear to have heard) that the Government has gone further to meet its wishes in this matter than is generally known. Routes have been planned, and we understand that sanctions are awaited from the Colonial Office at Home for the advertising of public tenders. The Government should be more communicative in these matters; it could do no harm, and would allay anxieties such as have been felt in Kowloon.

However, the subject in which the China Mail happens to take chief interest at the moment is one that does not concern Kowloon alone, although of vital concern to that rapidly growing town. \$400 a month!

We congratulate Mr. R. E. Gunn on the argument he submitted. Although it evoked laughter, having a humorous tinge, we protest that it was a most sound and logical argument. The proposition is that the Rents Ordinance, which is nearing its time limit, be renewed for another year. Mr. Gunn's argument is that if this Ordinance for the protection of tenants is no longer necessary it can be doing no hurt to the landlords, and that if so there can be no ground for objecting to its retention. Objections by the landlords would be proof of its necessity.

"The Ordinance," said Mr. Gunn, "was brought in to keep the landlords from raising rents. If there was no danger of this being done, then it was not hurting anybody if the measure was kept in force. If the Rents Ordinance is hurting the landlords, then we want it." Not because of pleasure taken in hurt to landlords, as the laughter seemed to suggest, but because it followed that landlords feeling hurt by it must have a desire and intention to hurt their tenants by a further squeeze—a form of "squeeze" that was not mentioned in a recent sermon on the subject. As the Chairman pointed out, so long as all the houses are occupied, and tenants still seeking accommodation, there is need for the retention of this excellent and popular Ordinance. We would like to see the Ordinance not only extended over a further period of time, but also over a wider scope. We have pointed out before that while an amendment to it protected the letters of lodgings, it ignored the very real need of the lodgers. We have reports of a case in which a man is the tenant of a room in a house at something like \$175 a month. The landlord is for increasing his rent, yet he is not letting these houses furnished, at \$400 a month!

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Command orders for April's dollar for the China Station at 2s. 3d.

Hongkong Jockey Club members are reminded that entries for the Prince's race meeting close tomorrow.

Messrs. Goddard and Douglas marine surveyors, Prince's Buildings, are removing to new offices on the 3rd floor at No. 4a Des Vaux Road, Central, on April 1.

The Chief Officer of the s.s. "Anyo Maru" reports 120 fathoms of Manila rope worth \$500 was stolen from the ship some time between Wednesday and Thursday.

The London Gazette announces the promotion of Major T.M. Wakefield, R.G.A. to Lieutenant Colonel: Jemadar Nur Mohammad, H.K.S., R.G.A. to Subadar and Havildar Major Piran Ditta, D.C.M., to Jemadar.

Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Ltd. have been appointed Hongkong and Canton agents for the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Co., Ltd., from April 1. Mr. T. F. Sherman, Jr., Resident Inspector of the Company, will be in charge of the Company's interests.

All the Catholics of Hongkong are cordially invited to attend the Mission which will be given by a Maryknoll Father in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The Mission will begin on Monday, March 27, and will end on Passion Sunday, April 2, 1932. A sermon will be delivered every day. The sermon will commence each day at 6 p.m.

At the Students' Service to be held on Sunday afternoon, March 26 in the Rhenish Mission Church Bonham Road, at 4 p.m., the Hon. Dr. Claud Severn has kindly consented to sing "If you with all your hearts" from the Elijah. The preacher at the Service will be the Rev. Dr. T. W. Pearce, LL.D., Warden of Morrison Hall, and his subject is "Christ: Madman or the Son of God?" The public are, of course, cordially invited to attend these services.

Charges of stealing a snit of khaki drill clothing and of breaches of discipline were admitted by Private J. Lowrie, of the 2nd Battalion, King's Regiment at a District Court Martial convened at Murray Barracks yesterday. Major H. G. Wright, of the King's Regiment, presided and the other members of the Court were Captain Oliver, R.G.A., and Lieutenant R.H. Jones, D.S.O., M.C., of the 2nd Battalion, King's Regiment. Captain J. M. Collins, 2nd Battalion King's Regiment, prosecuted. The accused was undefended. The sentence of the Court will be promulgated in due course.

RENTS ORDINANCE.

MEASURE TO BE EXTENDED FOR ONE YEAR.

Before adjourning yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, H.E. the Governor said:—Honourable members will remember that about this time last year, after much hesitation and reluctance, I was compelled to introduce a Bill restricting rents, and I expressed at the time the hope that it would not be necessary to retain that Bill in operation more than one year. At the time the Bill was passed certain fears were expressed as to the effect it might have on building and generally on business. Such fears, I am glad to say, proved not well founded. There has been a very considerable amount of building during the past year and I had hoped it would be sufficient to relieve the previous shortage of housing accommodation to the extent that it would make it unnecessary to continue the Bill in operation. I am informed, however, that this has not been the case and it is still necessary to continue to keep this Bill alive; otherwise, tenants would be in the unfortunate position from which we had to rescue them last year. They would be at the mercy of unscrupulous landlords. I have therefore to give notice that it is the intention of the Government to propose in the next few weeks that the Ordinance restricting rents should be retained in operation another year. During the course of this year there have been communications to the effect that the Ordinance in certain circumstances had worked hardship on the landlords, and it might be that we shall think it desirable to introduce amendments which will require consideration. It will be of great assistance to the Government if those landlords or others who have found that the operation of the Ordinance as it stands needs amendment will inform the Government fully of the points to which they object in order that we may consider how far they weaken the principle of the measure.

RESUMING LAND.

GOVERNMENT'S COMPENSATION MEASURES.

CHINESE CRITICISE ORDINANCE.

In proposing the second reading of the Crown Land Resumption Ordinance Bill at yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Colonial Secretary said that representations had been made relating to Clause 2 (c), regarding which fear had been expressed that holders of lands under permit and settlers, where they had no guarantee that their titles would be renewed, might be deprived of their land and buildings without proper compensation. On behalf of the Government, he would like to say that these cases would be treated in the same equitable manner in which they had always been treated in this Colony, and any compensation in respect of purely temporary rights would be on an adequate and equitable basis. The Ordinance had for its aim the prevention of speculation in cases where purchases were made beyond the value of the land in the expectation of compensation in the event of resumption to which the holder of the temporary title had no right at all.

After the Colonial Treasurer had seconded the motion, the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak said that since the first reading of the Bill, many Chinese who had invested largely in landed property in the Colony, had been much alarmed as to the safety of such investments, and their confidence in the good faith of the Government had also been much shaken. In their opinion the Bill, although simple in form, would have very far-reaching results, inflicting great losses on those who had helped so largely to build up the prosperity of the Colony, and entailing great hardship on the original settlers in the island of Hongkong. After the remarks made by the Colonial Secretary, which were no doubt made in reply to the arguments advanced by the Chinese who had addressed a letter to him (Mr. Lau Chu-pak) in his capacity as Chairman of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce more than a month ago, he would like to say that such arguments were still unknown to some of his unofficial colleagues on the Council, and with His Excellency's permission, he would like to quote in full what the Chinese had said in their letter.

Permission having been duly given, Mr. Lau Chu-pak began with paragraph 4 of the letter which said:

"As stated in the 'Objects and Reasons' of the Bill, the only part that is practically new is clause 2 (c) which aims at the exclusion or 'mere' expectancies or probabilities from all claims for compensation on land resumption. Paragraph 1 of the Objects and Reasons is not clear as to whether the Bill is intended to apply to lands held under 'certain' tenures. For instance, it is not clear from the wording of either the Bill or the example given in the Objects, whether building-lands held under 75 year and 21-year leases which do not contain a 'renewal' clause, would come within the scope of the proposed Bill. We cannot believe that it is the intention of the Government to bring the class of lands under the proposed law; but if it is we submit that compensation should be paid in all such cases in respect of the probability or expectancy that the leases would be renewed."

His Excellency said that it would be rather difficult to follow the discussion if the point were left too long. What he would like to know was whether it was seriously suggested by the persons who wrote this letter, that a lease entitled the holder of the lease to expect a renewal and that he was entitled to compensation?

Mr. Lau Chu-pak: Under the condition on which the land was let to them I think that they are entitled to a renewal.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock: Is that more than "expectancy"?

Mr. Lau Chu-pak: In almost every case in the Colony the land was bought on expectancy. You cannot get over that fact.

Mr. Pollock: Supposing a man has a lease for 75 years and there is an agreement that such lease should be renewed on certain terms—then there is an agreement and not mere expectancy.

The Governor said he was sorry he interrupted the hon. member (Mr. Lau Chu-pak) and dignified to him to continue.

Proceeding, the Mr. Lau Chu-pak said that another point which was very important was that there were some who held lands before the island came under the British flag, and in the proclamation issued by Captain Elliot at the time of the cession of the island, it was said that the Chinese would be secured "in the enjoyment of their lawful private property and interests." Under the law of China, these men were still entitled to hold their lands in perpetuity. When resumption was

made it was only reasonable that compensation should be paid to them with that in view. Under the Bill now before them, there would be no compensation paid because the Government had taken from them their rights in the land and given them leases in exchange. The natives of the New Territories were practically in this position. He did not think it was fair, and he thought it was his duty to let his colleagues on the Council know of the objection which had been communicated to him.

Paragraph 5 of the letter, he continued, said:—

"Then there are lands held by natives of the soil under short leases or permits, or, in some few cases, we are informed, under no leases or permits at all, although the owners and their forefathers have been occupants thereof from time immemorial—long before the Colony came under the British flag. It has been represented to us that a large number of these poor people hold no leases, but yearly permits, from the Government, while some have not even obtained permits for putting up buildings on their land through their ignorance of British law. It has been argued that, no matter what the form of document the people hold from the Government, they have a right to the permanent occupancy of the lands handed down to them by their forefathers, and that such right should be respected in face of the Proclamation issued by Captain Elliot at the time of the cession of the Island to Great Britain, which contained these words:—'They (the Chinese) are further secured in the enjoyment of their lawful private property and interests.' According to the land laws of China, all titles to land, whether building or agricultural, are practically perpetual; and this being the case it would seem that the present holders, so long as they can prove their title, should be secured in the enjoyment of their property, and compensation should be paid to them for any resumption according to the prevailing market value, irrespective of the question of expectancy or probability. We believe that it is not this class of people that Bill is designed to aim at, but rather those who speculate in land." In this the writers have my sympathy.

Paragraph 6 says:—"The fear expressed by the Government in paragraph 2 of the Objects and Reasons that inflated prices paid for land on mere expectancy might have the effect of checking development of the district concerned, is not shared by those who have had intimate knowledge of land development in the Colony. What is required to stimulate a healthy development in that direction is greater expedition in dealing with applications for land, and the payment of fair compensations for all lands resumed for public purposes."

The writers of the letter added:—"While on this question of resumption, we desire to bring to the notice of the Government certain representations made to us to the effect that the Government has often compulsorily resumed large portions of private-owned land when only a much smaller area was actually required for public purposes, and resold the excess at a profit."

"I hope that the Government may see their way in the future not to resume more land than is absolutely necessary for public purposes. I agree with the writers of the letter that the operation of the Bill, if passed, will seriously affect land development in the Colony and I submit that the Government should take these views into consideration." Mr. Lau said in conclusion.

The Hon. Mr. Chow Shoo Sen: I fully concur in the opinions expressed by my senior colleague.

The Governor said: With regard to the questions of Chinese tenancy I would prefer to say nothing at this stage, leaving it to members of the Council more familiar with it than I am; but I will not be a party to any suggestion that a lease for a fixed period of years contains any suggestion, expectancy or hope of renewal unless it is stated in the lease. I am forced to take the view of the ordinary landlord who grants his property for a particular period that when that period has passed the lease is dead, and it is for him to decide whether he will renew it at all. If a lease contained no expectation or promise of renewal I would not dream of allowing any expectancy or expectancy of the Government to be taken into account in the compensation. This is a plain business transaction, and it must stand on that basis. Another point, as far as I can understand the suggestion of the letter is that it shall be open to any land speculator to purchase any agricultural land for more than its market value, because he has reason to believe—may have been informed or learnt from private sources, or had heard rumors or guesses—that the land was intended to be resumed in the future, and to expect to be fully compensated by the Government if the land is resumed. I can imagine nothing more calculated

MOTOR BUS ACCIDENT.

COLLISION WITH TRUCK AT POKFULUM.

CHINESE SERIOUSLY INJURED.

An Aberdeen-Kaifong motor bus was proceeding down the steep hill at Pokfulum known as Dairy Farm Hill this morning, when it ran into a truck near the foot of the hill, pinning one of the poles between the shafts and seriously injuring him.

There were two trucks at the foot of the hill. One had broken down and its engine was being transferred to the other on the left side of the road when the accident occurred through the bus swerving across the road as it was making the bend. The man caught between the shafts was badly crushed. He was taken to hospital by motor ambulance. Small hopes are entertained of saving his life owing to the terrible nature of his injuries.

STREET BANDITS.

IMPUDENT DAYLIGHT ATTACKS.

REVOLVERS AND DAGGERS.

Returning to his home in Yuking-fong, along Hospital Road about 6 p.m. yesterday a Chinese broker named Fan Pin chi was overtaken near the Ellis Kadon School by three men who had followed him. One of the men seized him by the jacket and pointing a revolver at his head threatened to shoot if he offered any resistance. The other two searched his pockets stealing a purse containing \$40. The robbers then ran through the hospital grounds towards Eastern Street. The broker very pluckily gave chase blowing his police whistle as he ran. Sergeant Barnett who joined in the chase in Eastern Street, was threatened by the man with the revolver. Accordingly he fired himself but could not say whether he hit the man or not. The chase continued to High Street, where the robbers scattered and disappeared into side lanes.

Earlier in the afternoon a 17-year old student and his mother were proceeding along Hospital Road to their home in Ripon Terrace, when they were accosted by two men opposite the Ellis Kadon School. The youth promptly blew his police whistle whereupon the robbers whipped out daggers and stabbed both him and his mother. They then made off. The two wounded people were both taken to the hospital where the woman is now in a critical condition.

to delay the development of the Colony than a system by which people, obtaining private information or guessing where development is taking place should purchase that land in the expectation of being handsomely compensated on the resumption of the land by the Government. If anybody is to get a price above the market value I would prefer that it should be the original holder. With regard to annual terms, if there is any reasonable expectation—I am sure you will agree with me that it has been the practice of this Government to take very long views—we should deal equitably with the case. We have actually granted compensation for buildings in some case where no compensation was really due in order that there might be no feeling of hardship. I think the Government may be relied on to deal with all cases in a reasonable and equitable spirit. I think it is improbable that there are any number of original holders without a definite title to their land. I understand that the matter was dealt with by the Squatters Board, and I am not in a position to deal with it myself. With regard to what the hon. member said about Chinese law, if it is a fair statement of Chinese law it sounds rather remarkable, but I think if we came to apply the principles of Chinese law with regard to land tenure we ought certainly to apply them also to the compensation to be paid, and if the hon. member will inquire into the compensation paid at Canton when the new streets were made he will possibly have one of the surprises of his life.

The second reading of the Bill was then passed, with the approval of all excepting the two Chinese members; and the Colonial Secretary moved that the Council go into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause. The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and the motion was agreed to. The Bill passed through Committee without amendment and on the Council resuming the Bill was taken through the third reading stage and passed into law.

SPORT.

LAWN TENNIS.

H.K.C.C. TOURNEY.

The following matches were played yesterday:—Open Singles—S. A. Rumjahn beat V. Yvanovich 6-4, 6-8, 6-4; J. B. Penman beat G. M. Dodwell 6-0, 6-2, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "A"—R. M. Smith (+3-6) beat R. K. Valentine (+15), walk over.

Handicap Doubles—G. Miskin and C. Blaker (str.) beat D. M. Larkins and C. V. Mark (+15) 6-3, 6-4; E. G. Lammett and J. A. Worswick (+4-6) beat A. S. Errell and A. G. Simpson (+15) 6-1, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles—A. D. Ball and Miss Harrison (-3-6) beat G. R. Sayer and Mrs. Sayer (-2-6) 5-7, 6-1, 6-1.

BILLIARDS.

CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNEY.

Playing at the Victoria Recreation Club last night, L.A. Osmund defeated R. F. da Luz by 500-311. Osmund's best break was 47 and his opponent's 35. It was a very interesting game in which some fine billiards was exhibited by both players. Osmund was deadly accurate with his in-offs as usual and left very little game for Luz, who had to play an uphill game throughout.

To-morrow night (Saturday) P. A. Yvanovich (ex-champion) will meet E. Antonio at 8.30 o'clock.

CRICKET.

I.R.C. v. R.G.A.

The following will represent the I.R.C. in their league match against the R.G.A. on Home ground on Saturday at 2.15 p.m.:—A. el Arculli (Captain), A. H. Rumjahn, S. H. Ismail, S. A. Ismail, S. A. Ismail, J. S. Curran, N. B. Kitchell, O. Ismail, S. A. R. Ismail, O. Rumjahn and D. Rumjahn.

The following teams will represent the H.K.C.C. on Saturday March 25 at 2.15 p.m. on grounds as below:—1st XI v. K.C.C. at Kowloon.—B. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), Lieut. Beatty R.N., C. Blaker, Capt. E. R. S. Dods, Capt. R. M. Fleming, L. J. Davies, Lt. Franks R.N., E. G. Lammett, Lieut. E. L. Leader, F. C. Miller, F. N. Young. 2nd XI v. K.C.C. 2nd XI on H. K. C. C. Ground.—L. D. McNicol (Capt.), H. H. Benson, G. M. Dorkins, W. Fraser, H. E. Hollands, A. S. Errell, W. J. Hope, W. W. Mackenzie, B. D. C. Morgan, G. H. Piercy, J. R. Way.

FOOTBALL.

H. K. F. C. v. R. G. A.

The following will represent the Hongkong Football Club in the Shield Final against the R.G.A. to-morrow on the Club ground at 4 p.m.—G. Rodger, W. Gerard, J. McCubbin, W. Telfer, J. Stewart, J. MacPhail (Capt.), H. MacTavish, A. Forsyth, S. Begg, W. Knorr and E. England.

H.K.F.C. RES. v. "CURLEW" RES.

The following will represent the H.K.F.C. Reserves against the "Curlew" Reserves on Navy Ground to-morrow at 3 p.m.:—Hutchinson, Israel, Duncan, MacDonald, Angus, Sorenson, East, Ramsey, Hyde, Ferguson and Morrison.

Reserves: Ogilvie, Garrod.

UNITED v. SOUTH CHINA "A"

The following will represent the United in above League Second Division Fixture, on Saturday, March 25 on Hongkong Club ground. Kick off at 3 p.m.—Beach, Jackson, Hopper, Urquhart, Leonard, Hyde, Watkins, May, Valentine, Derry and Payne. Reserve, Botelho.

"QUAINTS" BACK AGAIN.

"The Quaints," whose bright and breezy show entertained Hongkong a few weeks ago are back again from the north. They have booked the Theatre Royal for a short farewell season of five nights, commencing this evening at 9.15. To-night Mr. Salisbury will present an entertainment which has the attractive sounding title of "The Pillar of Dreams." Booking is at Montrose's.

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RENTS ORDINANCE GRIEVANCES.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—It occurs to me after reading "Queer's" letter in your yesterday's issue, that either the Rent Ordinance which was passed last year is almost, or its application by certain persons or that an amendment ought to be considered if the ordinance is retained in operation for another year. There must be a lack of cohesion between the text of the Ordinance and the spirit in which it has been conceived. It was passed in order to protect tenants against some unscrupulous landlords but it seems to be also allowing shady dealings on the part of a certain class of tenants who take an unfair advantage of the text to satisfy their speculative instincts.

A furnished four-roomed flat was offered to me some time ago for \$200 per month for a period of 18 months. After going carefully into the matter I found out that the tenant who was trying to sublet the flat was actually paying \$87.50 for his rent and valued his furniture at \$3,000. In other words, even after allowing a fair interest on the furniture, this tenant was simply making an income of over \$50 per month out of his tenancy.

Another instance is that of a tenant leaving the Colony and offering to sublet his house to another party on the condition that the latter buys of him all the furniture greatly overvalued, without the landlord's approval, and actually defying him to dispose of the house.

It is about time that such speculations should be put down and if the Ordinance protects the tenants against unscrupulous landlords, it should also protect the sub-tenants from the greed of certain people who take position behind the text are able to mock the spirit.

Yours, etc.

NOT A LANDLORD.

Hongkong, March 24.

HUNGHOM SHOOTING.

PUBLIC RICHIA OWNER ATTACKED.

MYSTERY ASSAILANT ESCAPES.

A Hunghom public-house proprietor was driving in his private richia to Tsimshatui about 10 o'clock last night when a man suddenly came out of the gloom in Bulkeley Street and fired two shots at him with a revolver, wounding him in the forearm and abdomen.

The assailant, whom the victim was unable to recognise, disappeared as quickly and mysteriously as he had come. The wounded man was promptly removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital where he was attended by Dr. Smalley who extracted the bullet. Although suffering from shock, the victim is in no danger of losing his life. He could give the police no reason for the attack.

COUNT KILLED.

TRAGEDY OF BIG GAME HUNT.

The full story of how the naked body of the handsome young French sportsman, Comte Maurice de Lense, was discovered by his sister-in-law, the Comtesse de Rohan Chabot, lying close to the camp of their big game caravan in Abyssinia, has just been removed from his post.

The party consisted of the Comte and Comtesse de Lense, the Comte and Comtesse d'Arques de Rohan Chabot, and Mlle. Ytarbe. They had about 100 native carriers, and when on the march the Comte de Lense used to go ahead to look for game before it was scared away by the advancing caravan.

One evening, just before pitching camp, he crossed a wide river with a single Abyssinian attendant, who returned alone saying that he had lost sight of his master. All night his friends searched, fired their rifles, and lit fires as signals to him. At dawn they pushed the search farther afield and the Comtesse de Rohan Chabot saw her brother-in-law's rifle lying on the ground. A few paces away in the undergrowth was his body.

He had apparently been attacked by a turbulent tribe which covered his arms and clothes, and had time to fire only a single shot and wound one of the natives, when he was stabbed from behind.

The Comte de Rohan Chabot hurried back to the nearest post of the Abyssinian Government and the murderers were rounded up. The dead comte's watch and jewelry were found upon them and they were executed.

The comte's body has been brought home and will be buried at his family's country place in the department of Seine-et-Marne.

PRINCE'S JAPAN VISIT.

PROGRAMME OFFICIALLY PUBLISHED.

Tokyo, March 16.—The programme for the sojourn in Japan of the Prince of Wales has been officially published to-day.

On the morning of April 12, His Highness will arrive at Yokohama and immediately enter the Capital of Japan, proceeding to the Imperial Palace and then to the detached palace at Akasaka, where he will stay until April 18. In the meantime, His Highness is expected to attend a dinner-party to be given at the Imperial Palace, dinner-parties by Prince Higashi Fushimi, the British Ambassador, Premier Takahashi, Count Uchida, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Prince Tokugawa, Marquis Nabeshima as well as the Military Review, the Imperial Cherry Blossom Party and the reception by the City of Tokyo. On April 14, however, His Highness will have a rest, the day being Good Friday. On April 19, the Prince will pay a visit to Nikko, returning to Tokyo on April 21, and on April 22 proceed to Yokohama, where he will attend the ceremony of unveiling a monument erected in honour of those who laid down their lives in the Great War, and after doing the sights in and around Kanagawa and Yokohama, will attend the reception to be given on board a warship in the harbour of Yokohama and then attend a ball by British people resident in Yokohama, where he will stay over-night.

On April 23, His Highness will pay a visit to Odawara to attend a dinner-party at the country villa of Prince Karin, passing the night at the detached house of Baron Iwasaki at Yumoto, Hakone. On April 25, he will attend a dinner-party at the detached palace and on April 26, afternoon doing the sights of Lake Kawaguchi, Suiko, and Shinji at the base of Mt. Fuji, he will put up at the Shinji Hotel. On April 27, he arrives at Kyoto, paying homage to the Imperial Mausoleum at Momoyama. On April 28, he will go boating on Lake Biwa, making a stay in Kyoto until May 2. On May 3 and 4 he stays in Nara, and on May 5 attends the reception to be given by the City of Osaka as well as the ball by foreigners resident in Kobe, where His Highness stays over-night.

On May 6, the Prince proceeds to Takamatsu City, Shikoku, to attend the dinner-party and reception by Count Matsudaira. On May 7, he does the sights of Ise-shima Island, one of the "Three Great Sights" in Japan. On May 8, he will inspect the Naval College at Yedajima and the Arsenal at Kure, from where he will travel down to Kagoshima, at the south end of Kyushu, where His Highness will attend the dinner-party and reception by Prince Shimadzu on May 9, whence His Highness sails for home.

HYPNOTISED.

COURT EXPERIMENT ON WOMEN.

For having ignored the section of the French penal code which forbids hypnotism and lays down that all witnesses should give their evidence before a court freely, M. Richard, the examining magistrate who has been investigating the plague of scurrilous anonymous letters at Tulle, has been removed from his post.

This decision was contained in the Official Gazette and announced by M. Barthou, Minister of Justice, in the Senate when various senators spoke about the reprehensible character of psychic experiments by a magistrate. The incident took place some weeks ago. M. Richard had had the charges against some person or persons unknown of having written these anonymous letters before him for several months, but detectives and experts had failed to discover any clue. It was then that M. Richard decided to admit of experiments by a professional hypnotist from Paris.

This man, a doctor, had the six witnesses in the case whom he wished to examine brought one by one into the magistrate's private room at the court. He first asked them if they were willing to be hypnotised, and continued with his experiments only after the witnesses had agreed. The French judicial authorities hold that it is quite possible that in such circumstances witnesses might be afraid to refuse.

The experiment was a failure. The first five women who were questioned said nothing of any value. When the last witness, a girl, had been "put to sleep" by the hypnotist she began to scream and asked to be released from his influence. Her cries could be heard all over the court and the hypnotist had to bring her round without having questioned her.

BANK DIVIDEND.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

The Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China has received the following telegram from its head office in London:—

"At the approaching annual general meeting of shareholders, the Directors will recommend that a dividend be declared for the past half year at the rate of 14% per annum and a bonus of 6s.3d. per share free of income tax, that £100,000 be added to the Reserve Fund, that £25,000 be added to Officers' Superannuation Fund, that £50,000 be written off Premises, Account, and that £215,169.15.5 be carried forward."

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The Mercantile Bank of India Ltd., has received a telegram from its London Office advising that at the annual general meeting of shareholders, the Board of Directors will recommend a final dividend of 8% on the A. B. and C. shares (making 15% for the year 1921 less Income Tax, that £50,000 be carried to Reserve Fund (making that Fund £1,150,000) and that £137,571 be carried forward.

"A BRAVE MAN."

FARMER CAPTURES ARMED ROBBER.

A Chinese was charged before Magistrate Lindsell this morning with the unlawful possession of a dagger.

A farmer said that on his way to Yamnati he was crossing the No. 3 Railway Bridge when he noticed the accused with two or three other men there. After he had passed them he heard a voice behind him say "Don't run." Turning round, he saw the accused flourishing a dagger. Witness promptly pushed the accused away with the pole he was carrying. When the men saw he was prepared to fight, they made off. Witness gave chase, blowing a police whistle. Near his house the accused stopped and again raising his dagger called upon his confederates to stop, but the latter took no heed of him and made off as fast as they could, "because they were not fighting men." With the aid of his friends who came out in answer to his cries he managed to capture the accused. Complimenting the witness whom he described as a brave man, the Magistrate sentenced the accused to twelve months' hard labour.

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2. Musketry. Part 11 of the Annual Musketry Course will be fired on Sunday, 2nd April at Stockcutters Range, commencing at 10 a.m. by all Casuals of the Corps who are not yet fired.

A launch will leave Murray Pier at 9.00 a.m.

Dress: Drill Order. Officer for duty: 2nd Lieut. T. P. M. Bevan, M.C.

3. Cadet Company. Parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday, 27th inst. at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Drill Order.

2. B. YOUNG, Major, Adjutant H. V. D. Corps. Hongkong, Friday, March 24, 1922.

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Mar. 26-J.C.I.L. Tientsin
28-N.Y.K. Tientsin
29-R.F. Tientsin
30-P & O. Tientsin
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3-R.I. Tientsin
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Mar. 29-S & R. Tientsin
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obtained.

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Goods remaining undelivered after the
25th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must
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before the 1st April, or they will
not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on the
25th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned
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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
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Hongkong, March 18, 1922.

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hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong
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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
Agents.
Hongkong, March 18, 1922.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"TAIYO MARU."

From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONO-
LULU, JAPAN PORTS,
& SHANGHAI.

The above named Steamer having
arrived on Wednesday, 22nd March, 1922,
consignees of cargo are hereby notified to
present their Bills of Lading for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery
from alongside steamer or the Company's
Godown, where all cargo impeding
immediate discharge will be
landed at consignees' risk.

Cargo that could not be landed into
the godowns owing to scarcity of space,
will be kept in lighters at consignees'
risk and expense.

Storage will be assessed on all landed
cargo remaining undelivered after
Wednesday, 29th March, 1922.

All broken, chafed and damaged pack-
ages will be examined on Wednesday,
29th March, 1922, at 11 a.m.

No claims will be recognized after
goods have left the steamer or Godown,
and none will be entertained if pre-
sented later than three weeks after arrival
of steamer.

No fire insurance whatever will be
effected.
Y. TSUTSUMI,
Manager.
Hongkong, March 21, 1922.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"ANTO MARU."

From SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via
SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU &
JAPAN PORTS.

The above named steamer having
arrived on Monday, 20th March,
1922, consignees of cargo are hereby
notified to present their Bills of Lading
for counter-signature, and take
immediate delivery from alongside
steamer or the Company's Godown,
where all cargo impeding immediate
discharge will be landed at Consignees'
risk.

Cargo that could not be landed into
the godowns owing to scarcity of space,
will be kept in lighters at Consignees'
risk and expense.

Storage will be assessed on all landed
cargo remaining undelivered after 27th
March, 1922. Date for examination of
all broken, chafed and damaged pack-
ages will be advised later.

No claims will be recognized after
goods have left the Steamer or Godown,
and none will be entertained if pre-
sented later than three weeks after arrival
of steamer.

No fire insurance whatever will be
effected.
Y. TSUTSUMI,
Manager.
Hongkong, March 20, 1922.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "PERSIA MARU"

From SAN FRANCISCO via HONO-
LULU, JAPAN PORTS
& DAIREN.

The above named Steamer having
arrived on Thursday 23rd March, 1922,
consignees of cargo are hereby notified
to present their Bills of Lading for
counter signature, and take immediate
delivery from alongside steamer or the
Company's Godown, where all cargo
impeding immediate discharge will be
landed at consignees' risk.

Cargo that could not be landed into
the godowns owing to scarcity of space,
will be kept in lighters at consignees'
risk and expense.

Storage will be assessed on cargo
remaining undelivered after Thursday
March 30, 1922.

All broken, chafed and damaged
packages will be landed into the Com-
pany's Godown where same will be
examined on March 30, 1922, at 11 a.m.

No claims will be recognized after
goods have left the steamer or Godown,
and none will be entertained if pre-
sented later than three weeks after
arrival of steamer.

No fire insurance whatever will be
effected.
Y. TSUTSUMI,
Manager.
Hongkong, March 21, 1922.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

CONSIGNEES ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT

arrangements are being made to re-
turn the following cargoes to Hongkong
which had been overcarried to and
discharged at other ports, owing to
the recent strikes, as under:—

From KOBE.

Ex Tango Maru from Australia re-
turning per Awa Maru due 21st March.

Ex Calcutta Maru from Calcutta and
Straits returning per Awa Maru due
21st March.

From SINGAPORE.

Ex Wakasa Maru from Japan re-
turning per Tatsuno Maru due 30th
March.

Ex Pemang Maru and Ex Tokushima
Maru from Japan returning per Mito
Maru due 31st March.

From SHANGHAI.

Ex Kamo Maru, Ex Maybashi Maru,
Ex Tokori Maru, Ex Toyoashi Maru,
Ex Iyo Maru, Ex Awa Maru, Ex
Fushimi Maru from Seattle, Japan and
Shanghai, returning per Kamo Maru
due 26th March; Katori Maru due
1st April; Suwa Maru due 1st April;
Tottori Maru due 8th April.

The s.s. "Kamo Maru" and the
s.s. "Katori Maru" having very little
space available, a great portion of the
overcarried cargoes will be returned
by "Suwa Maru" and "Tottori
Maru."

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.
Hongkong, March 21, 1922.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forth-
coming meetings, lectures and
entertainments, sent for insertion in
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CONSIGNEES of cargo from Cal-
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"Tanda" and "Takada" are hereby
notified that a part of the cargo for
Hongkong which was landed at Shang-
hai and Japan owing to the recent strike
is coming forward per s.s. "Takada"
due to arrive here on or about the 25th
instant.

The cargo will be landed into the
Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon
Wharf & Godown Co. and Consignees
are requested to make the necessary
arrangements respecting delivery.

Hongkong, March 21, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN S.S.
COMPANY LIMITED.

S.S. "EASTERN"

From AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by above
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SUCCESSFUL TRIALS AT HOME.

The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. has just increased its fleet by the addition of the "Kutang," built at the Wallsend Shipyard of Messrs. Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson, Ltd. The ship's name is Chinese, and signifies "Increase in Luck." In spite of somewhat boisterous weather, the trials at sea were successfully accomplished, and a speed of 136 knots on a draught of 23½ feet was averaged over a course of 40 knots along the coast off the mouth of the River Tyne. The owners were represented during the trial trip by Captain Lake, their marine superintendent, and by Mr. O. E. Holmes, their superintendent engineer. After the trial runs the ship returned to the River Tyne to prepare for her voyage to Hongkong under the command of Captain Liddell.

The "Kutang" has an overall length of 434ft., and is 54½ ft. wide and 31ft. deep. She carries 7,800 tons deadweight, on a draught of 26ft. 3in., and has been built to Lloyd's highest class. On the bridge deck are quarters for the officers and engineers, together with commodious state rooms and a handsome dining saloon for first-class passengers. On the boat deck is accommodation for the captain and for first-class passengers, smoke-room and ladies' room. Second-class passengers are accommodated in the poop, and a hospital and dispensary are placed above the steering gear house. The sailors and firemen have quarters in the forecastle. Refrigerating machinery is installed to keep perishable provisions in good condition. Part of the cellular double bottom of the ship is constructed to carry oil fuel as well as water ballast. The single screw propelling machinery and boilers have been built by the Wallsend Shipyard and Engineering Co., Ltd., the former being of the four crank quadruple expansion type, balanced on the Xarrow Schlick and Tweedy system to reduce vibration to a minimum. The engines are designed to develop about 3,300 h.p. under normal conditions in ordinary service. Many special features have been embodied in the engine-room to effect an economic and efficient working, and the installation of auxiliary machinery is exceptionally complete. There are four single-ended boilers 15½ feet in diameter, with a length of 12 feet, working at a pressure of 220 lbs. per square inch under Howden's forced draught. An installation for burning liquid fuel on the Wallsend-Howden pressure system has been fitted. Two sets of pumping and heating plant are provided, one being a standby in case the other requires overhauling. Settling tanks and observation tanks, together with transfer pumps have been provided, with all fittings necessary for a complete oil-burning installation. As the ship will run in tropical waters special attention has been given to the ventilation of the engine and boiler rooms.

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The steamer "Matiana," built for the British India Steam Navigation Co., Messrs. Barclay, Curie & Co., Ltd., was successfully launched on January 26 from the firm's West Yard, Scotstoun. The vessel is of the intermediate cargo and passenger type, dimensions 485ft. by 58ft. 3in. by 36ft., with a gross tonnage of 8,970 and will have two screw turbine engines of Parsons double reduction geared type capable of developing a sea speed of 14 knots. The boilers and bunkers are so arranged that the vessel can work either on coal or oil fuel. The bulkhead sub-division is in accordance with the recommendation of the Bulkhead Committee, and all Convention requirements, such as power-operated W.T. doors, fire-proof bulkheads, emergency plant and bilge pump, etc., have been embodied so that the vessel is in a position to obtain the safety certificate when same comes into force.

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Genoa is increasing the area of its docks and quays to 20,875,000 sq. ft., and the length of railway tracks to 100 miles. The old harbour is to be improved by the addition of mechanical equipment and by increasing its depth.

According to the Associated Press, the Canadian Pacific Company has announced that it contemplates no reduction of the passenger fare to the East. In San Francisco it has been stated by the Pacific Mail Company and the T.K.K. that they will not reduce fares.

Of over thirty foreign ships purchased by Japanese shipowners since the last two or three months of last year, seven ships have already been delivered to Japan. The former "Itura" (8,300 tons), which the Kobe Shosen Kaisha had taken over from the Tatsuta Kisen Kaisha, arrived at Kobe a few days ago. This steamer has been given the name "Kankyomaru."

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PRAYA MURDER.

VERDICT "GUILTY."

MISDIRECTION OF JURY ALLEGED.

PRIVY COUNCIL APPEAL POSSIBLE.

Incidents which will go towards making it one of the most memorable criminal cases in Hongkong's legal history marked the closing scenes of the Praya murder trial yesterday evening.

The Attorney General (the Hon. M. J. H. Kemp K. C.), of who we gave a brief summary yesterday finished his address at a quarter to four o'clock yesterday afternoon and Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies K. C.) began his summing up to the jury immediately afterwards.

His Lordship began by reminding the jury that it was their duty to decide the case wholly on the evidence, banishing all preconceived ideas from their minds. It was purely a case of identity and the only question for the jury was as to whether the Crown established in their minds, to the exclusion of all doubt, that the prisoner was the assassin. After emphasizing that onus of proof was on the Crown, the Chief Justice went on to say that if they were prepared to accept the evidence for the prisoner, the case for the Crown failed. If they rejected that evidence it would involve finding a conspiracy on the part of a number of Chinese witnesses to defeat the administration of justice in this Colony. "Gentlemen," proceeded the Judge, "I have had experience, now, for some years of Chinese witnesses and am perfectly justified in saying to you, that while most Chinese come into the box to speak the truth and to promote the administration of justice, I am bound to tell you that collision of witnesses to tell a story having no regard to the truth of that story at all is not, I regret to say, uncommon. I have had to find as a fact, that the most extraordinary details, carefully interwoven, one witness building the foundation, another adding the super structure and a third carrying it a little further until the chain of evidence becomes so conclusive that the Court, in ordinary circumstances would be convinced; I have to find as a fact that such evidence has been entirely and absolutely unfounded and built up purely for the purpose. In view of that observation, it is for you to weigh the evidence on both sides. It is not suggested by the defence that what the European witnesses say is incorrect but that they make a mistake. Inasmuch as their evidence was taken some days ago I think it best that I should read it shortly to you, so that you may have fresh in your minds what they said."

Referring to the evidence of Captain Morgan His Lordship said the only observation he had to make was that if the story put forward by the defence was true his vision was most defective. Regarding the prisoner's evidence it was for the jury to say whether his silence when picked up after arrest was reasonable. Was his statement to the police that he was "passing the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank," I do not know what was the matter? A reasonable remark in view of the fact that he himself said he had been running from Queen's Square in company with others who had run? A man with a clear conscience would desire to clear himself. "I think," said the Chief Justice "that the evidence for the defence is fresh in your memory. I do not propose to read it, unless you desire it."

The Foreman: No, my Lord. Concluding, His Lordship said: "Finally, if you accept the defence, you say that all the witnesses for the prosecution are in error about the man running. The question is whether, taking the evidence of the Crown as a whole you are satisfied as

to proof. On the other hand, your verdict of guilty will involve saying that the whole of the evidence put forward for the defence is a conspiracy to defeat the ends of justice. If you think Capt. Morgan's story corroborated as it is now by Mr. Jenkins and other witnesses, is a truthful story you will find the prisoner guilty. If you have any reasonable doubt—a doubt that leads you to say 'I shall always have it on my conscience that I felt a real doubt whether the Crown case was proved'; if such a doubt exists in your minds, you will find the prisoner not guilty."

The Chief Justice's summing up was finished at five minutes past five and the jury was away from the Court for half an hour. When they had returned to their seats in the jury box the foreman (Mr. H. W. Bird) asked whether, if they had no reasonable doubt that the man Captain Morgan saw leaving the rear of the richa was the prisoner, they could find him guilty, irrespective of whether Captain Morgan saw him fire the shot or not.

The Chief Justice said that taking the whole of Captain Morgan's evidence, if they had no reason to doubt the truth of it, they should find him guilty.

The Jury held a whispered consultation together and then, in reply to the formal queries of the Clerk, the foreman announced that their unanimous verdict was one of "Guilty."

Mr. F. G. Jenkin, the prisoner's counsel, rose at once to move an arrest of judgment on three grounds and to ask that the point should be reserved for legal argument. The first ground was misdirection of the evidence of Mr. Jenkins after the closing of the Crown case.

The Chief Justice: But you agreed to it. Mr. Jenkin said that as His Lordship had refused to reserve it he was driven into a withdrawal of the objection because of the fact that the effect of this evidence had been, to some extent, stated in the hearing of the Jury.

The second point, Mr. Jenkin indicated, was that a certain police statement or report was handed up by the Attorney General and read by the Bench.

The Chief Justice said he had not read it and that he rejected it. Counsel said that, if His Lordship had not read it, he would accept that fact without a moment's hesitation. He was under the impression that His Lordship had read it.

Discussing the point raised as to Mr. Jenkins' evidence, the Chief Justice said: I offered, as I told you at the time, to consider the matter and to consider with my learned brother, but I quite understood the position when you took it. It was that, having regard to the fact that the Attorney-General had mentioned the additional evidence, the Jury might infer the import of it and hence you thought it desirable it should go in; if you insisted on your objection I might have decided to exclude it. I understood you waived it.

Mr. Jenkin: I did not waive it. It was admittedly a novel and new point of law. I was driven, as a matter of strategy—I think you appreciated that—into the position I took up.

Mr. Jenkin, continuing, said that his third point was a misdirection by His Lordship to the jury when they returned into Court. The misdirection was that His Lordship had told them that if they had no reasonable doubt that the prisoner was the man who left the rear of the richa they were to find him guilty, whether or not they could find that he fired the shot.

The Chief Justice: I said, "taking the circumstances as a whole; the evidence as a whole."

Mr. Jenkin: The question of the Foreman was "irrespective of whether or not he saw him fire?" and your Lordship lay back in your chair and said, "Yes taking all the circumstances into effect." So that the Jury were thereby invited to find him guilty

merely on the ground that he left the rear of the richa.

The Chief Justice asked the Foreman of the jury to state his question again.

The Foreman: What we were in doubt about was as to whether you said that if we were satisfied, beyond reasonable doubt, that the man who left the rear of the richa and who was chased by Capt. Morgan—if he is the man in the dock—then we were to find him guilty irrespective of whether Capt. Morgan saw him fire the shot.

The Chief Justice: "Actually saw him fire"—in other words, whether you are satisfied that Capt. Morgan's evidence is correct that the prisoner is the man whom he chased, whom he followed up as being the man who fired.

The Attorney-General:—May I say, Capt. Morgan did not say he saw the shot fired at all.

Mr. Jenkin: No; he merely surmised that he had fired the shot. The Chief Justice said that with regard to the first point as to the inadmissibility of Mr. Jenkins' evidence—he might have rejected it but for the fact that Mr. Jenkin had withdrawn his objection to it.

Mr. Jenkin answered that he had no option but to withdraw it on His Lordship's refusal to entertain it.

The Chief Justice: I objected to receive it for the Full Court because I thought it unnecessary to do so. Had it gone, as you suggested it should, and the jury convicted, it would have been a loop hole for quashing the conviction. It is quite possible that a conviction might have been quashed as a result. As you withdrew your objection I do not consider that is a ground for granting your application.

As regards the second point—the Attorney-General handing up to the Court some document—I did not read it. Even if I had, I have made no reference to it whatsoever to the Jury nor did I, in any way, reflect in questions to the witnesses—upon any statement they made to the police, that would have the slightest bearing on the case.

As regards the third point—misdirection in reply to questions by the Jury—I see no misdirection whatever in it. My direction to the Jury was that if they accepted the evidence of Capt. Morgan as a whole they would be entitled to convict beyond reasonable doubt.

The Chief Justice pointed out to Mr. Jenkin that he had his remedy in a petition to the Privy Council. He saw no reason whatever for reserving the point.

Mr. Jenkin asked that judgment on the prisoner should be suspended while he made this application.

The Chief Justice: I see no reason whatever to suspend it. I shall certainly pass sentence upon him.

Mr. Jenkin: Certainly my Lord; if that is your Lordship's opinion I shall sit down.

Asked whether he had anything to say why judgment should not be passed upon him the prisoner pointed to the witness box and said he wanted to make his statement there. The Chief Justice said he could not do that.

The prisoner began repeating the evidence he had given earlier in the trial and was interrupted by the Chief Justice who told him that unless he had anything to say in addition it was a waste of time.

The prisoner replied that he did not know how to say anything else. He must leave the matter in His Lordship's hands to "let on reason" and to have mercy on him.

Putting on the black cap the Chief Justice then said to the prisoner:

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